

**UNAPPROVED DRAFT
VIRGINIA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
MINUTES
OCTOBER 31, 2002**

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. on Thursday, October 31, 2002, at the Department of Health Professions, Conference Room 3, 6606 W. Broad St., Richmond, VA

PRESIDING OFFICER: Jerry A. Hinn, DVM, President

MEMBERS PRESENT: Patricia Jones-Jackson
George H. Siemering, DVM
Andrew Horner, DVM
John T. Wise, DVM

STAFF PRESENT: Elizabeth A. Carter, Ph.D., Executive Director
Terri H. Behr, Administrative Assistant
Howard Casway, Assistant Attorney General
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Regulatory Analyst

OTHERS PRESENT: Taryn Singleton, LVT, Va. Assoc. of Licensed Veterinary Technicians
Karen Shoemaker-Smith

QUORUM: With five members of the Board present, a quorum was established.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Taryn Singleton read a prepared statement from the Virginia Assoc. of Licensed Veterinary Technicians in support of technicians being allowed to do surgical closure and dental extractions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On properly seconded motion by Dr. Horner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Informal Hearings of August 21, 2002 with one correction on page 11 under Committee Decision. The last name Olson should be replaced with the last name Shoup.

On properly seconded motion by Ms. Jones-Jackson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the meeting of August 22, 2002 as presented.

REVIEW OF PUBLIC COMMENT: Ms. Yeatts stated that three veterinarians and two veterinary technicians sent in written comment and all were in favor of the proposed amendments to the regulations.

ADOPTION OF FEE INCREASE REGULATIONS: Ms. Yeatts explained to the Board that it was now time to adopt the final regulations on the proposed fees. She stated that the Board could consider a modest reduction in the fees originally proposed because the fees as originally proposed would leave too much revenue surplus and would not be in compliance with the Callahan Act.

On properly seconded motion by Dr. Horner, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the proposed fees as suggested by Ms. Yeatts.

ADOPTION OF PERIODIC REVIEW REGULATIONS: On properly seconded motion by Ms. Jones-Jackson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the proposed periodic review regulations as final.

ADOPTION OF VOLUNTARY PRACTICE REGULATIONS: On properly seconded motion by Dr. Horner, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the proposed Voluntary Practice Regulations enacted by HB 1318 (2002) as final.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Dr. Carter and Mr. Casway discussed with the Board some of their options in attempting to gain some way of dealing with the unlicensed practice of veterinary medicine other than to have the Enforcement Division investigate and then try to get the Commonwealth's Attorney in that locality to prosecute the cases.

On properly seconded motion by Dr. Horner, the Board voted unanimously that Board counsel and staff, along with the Regulatory/Legislative Committee draft two potential legislative proposals. The first would be modeled after the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulations' provisions in §54.1-306. The second would be modeled after the American Association of Veterinary State Boards' Model Practice Act which, if enacted, would allow some authority for the regulatory board to fine unlicensed persons.

Dr. Hinn appointed Drs. Horner and Siemering

and himself to comprise the
Regulatory/Legislative Committee.

Dr. Carter reviewed the budget and the Board's
disciplinary caseload with the Board.

2003 CALENDAR:

The Board set its calendar for 2003 as follows:

February 12, 2003 – Board meeting
February 13, 2003 – Informals
April 3, 2003 – Informals
May 21, 2003 – Board meeting
May 22, 2003 – Informals
July 2, 2003 – Informals
August 13, 2003 – Board meeting
August 14, 2003 – Informals
October 1, 2003 – Informals
November 12, 2003 – Board meeting
November 13, 2003 – Informals
December 3, 2003 – Informals

MEETING ADJOURNED:

There being no further business, the meeting
adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Jerry A. Hinn, DVM, President

Elizabeth A. Carter, Ph.D., Executive Director